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SUBJECT: GENERAL IBNU AND SEC

1. GEORGE BENSON SCHEDULED ARRIVE JAKARTA EVENING MARCH 8.
WILL CONTACT AMBASSADOR AND JOHNSON DAY OR SO LATER.

2. BENSON REPORTS THAT RAMAYANA RESTAURANT CASE CLOSE TO
BEING WRAPPED UP. ON FEB 25 PERTAMINA LAWYERS INDICATED
THEY COULD ACCEPT PROPOSED SEC CONSENT STATEMENT, EXCEPT
FOR ITS APPLICATION TO SUCCESSORS TO RESTAURANT, WHICH THEY
THINK IS UNREASONABLE. HASMORO, PERTAMINA REPRESENTATIVE
IN NEW YORK, HAS POWER OF ATTORNEY TO SIGN DECREE. ROGERS
AND WELLS HAVE IBNU'S POWER OF ATTORNEY.

3. NEW PROBLEM HAS ARISEN OUT OF SEC SUBPOENA SERVED ON
IBNU DURING BOB HOPE DESERT GOLF CLASSIC. IT PERTAINS
APPARENTLY TO A PRIVATE SEC INVESTIGATION OF SOME ASPECT
OF BURMAH LNG TANKERS MATTER, BUT SEC HAS CHOSEN NOT TO
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REVEAL ITS CONTENTS TO PERTAMINA COUNSEL. LATTER LEARNED
OF IT ONLY DURING ABOVE-MENTIONED SESSIONS WITH SEC
OFFICIALS, WHO ASKED WHY IBNU HAD NOT ANSWERED SUBPOENA
BY DEADLINE OF FEB 23. IBNU MADE NO MENTION OF SUBPOENA
DURING THREE SESSIONS HE HAD IN JAKARTA WITH DAVID LEINBACH
OF LEHMAN BROTHERS SUBSEQUENT TO ITS SERVICE UPON HIM,

LEADING TO SPECULATION THAT IBNU MAY HAVE SIMPLY IGNORED SUBPOENA THINKING IT WAS SOME OTHER BOTHERSOME PIECE OF LEGAL PAPER HAVING TO DO WITH RAMAYANA RESTAURANT CASE. BENSON NOW TRYING TO LOCATE GENERAL OR TIRTO TO FIND OUT WHAT IS IN SUBPOENA. THEY DO NOT KNOW HOW MUCH OF A GRACE PERIOD THEY HAVE TO PRODUCE IBNU OR ANOTHER PERSON EMPOWERED TO ANSWER QUESTIONS FOR HIM. IF SEC NOT ENABLED TO TALK TO IBNU OR REPRESENTATIVE SOON, HIS REFUSAL TO RESPOND MIGHT ULTIMATELY BE REPORTED CRITICALLY IN A SEC DOCUMENT FILED IN SOME COURT ACTION. HASMORO TOLD BENSON THAT IF IBNU GOT INVOLVED IN ONE MORE AFFAIR HARMING INDONESIA'S IMAGE, HE WOULD BE "IN THE SOUP".

4. MARAD LAWYERS TOLD BENSON THEY HAD LOOKED AT MATERIAL IN SEC FILES AND HAD FOUND NO VIOLATIONS OF STATUTES FOR WHICH MARAD RESPONSIBLE IN BURMAH TANKERS CASE. NAGGING QUESTION REMAINS WHETHER SAME MATERIAL MIGHT CONTAIN INDICATIONS OF VIOLATIONS OF LAWS WITH WHICH SEC CHARGED.

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